2002-2003 Oregon School and District Report Cards Formula Changes

The formula for calculating the ratings for the 2002-2003 Oregon School and District Report Cards will remain essentially the same as the formula for the 2001-2002 Report Cards with the following exceptions:

School Characteristics Participation

Raise the minimum level for participation on statewide assessments, as reflected in the School Characteristics rating.

- Schools with less than 85.0% participation on the 2002-2003 Oregon Statewide Assessments will receive an Overall Rating of *Unacceptable*. [This is the same as the 2001-2002 Report Card.]
- Schools with 85.0% 94.9% participation will receive a maximum of *Low* for the Overall rating.
- Schools with 95.0% or greater participation will receive the Overall rating calculated following the established Report Card procedures. Please see the 2001-2002 Technical Bulletin for a complete description of the Report Card formula and sample school calculations.

High-Performing Schools

Set the formula so that a very high performing school will receive an *Exceptional* Overall Rating without the required significant improvement indicated by an *Improved* rating. If a school has essentially half of its students exceeding and half meeting the standards and the index score is 115.0 or higher, the school will receive an *Exceptional** Overall rating.

An elementary or middle school with a Student Performance index of 115.0 or greater will receive 4.5 points for the Student Performance in calculating the Overall Rating, and a Student Performance label of *Exceptional**. The 4.5 points will result in the school receiving an Overall Rating of *Exceptional* if it did not decline in the Improvement category, had the minimum percentage of students participating in the statewide assessments, and had a Student Behavior rating of at least *Satisfactory*.

Exceptional* added to Report Card rules

| 2002-2003 Student Performance Rating | Points for Calculating 2002-2003 Overall Rating | 2001-2002 Student Performance Rating | 2001-2002 Student Performance Points |
|---|--|---|---|
| Exceptional* | 4.5 | | |
| Exceptional | 4.0 | Exceptional | 4.0 |
| Strong | 3.0 | Strong | 3.0 |
| Satisfactory | 2.0 | Satisfactory | 2.0 |
| Low | 1.0 | Low | 1.0 |
| Unacceptable | 0 | Unacceptable | 0 |